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For:

COMPLIANT OSTEOSYNTHESIS FIXATION PLATE

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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO FIFTH OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In regard to the Office Action dated December 24, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Applicant provides **Amendments to the Claims** that begin on page 2 of this paper. Specific changes are indicated by <u>underscoring</u> of text additions, and by [[double bracketing]] or by <u>strikethrough</u> of text deletions.

Applicant's Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

Concurrent with this response, Applicants are tendering a petition and fee for a one-month extension of time. Applicant believes that the amount tendered is correct, and that no further fee is due in connection with this reply. If this turns out to be erroneous, the Finance Division is authorized to debit or credit the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-1020 in the amount of the deficiency or excess payment.